

## Message Text

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TO: EDWARD ZEILINSKI  
ZEILINSKI BROTHERS  
218 SHOEMAKER LANE  
AGAWAN, MASSACHUSETTS 01001, TEL (413) 786-3338

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BDIS, SY  
SUBJECT: BULLDOZER SALE TO SARG

1. HAVE RECEIVED YOU CABLE OF APRIL 26 AND HAVE TALKED WITH DR. MOHAMMED ZIAD ABOU-HARB, LOCAL AGENT OF JAMES COMYNS ON PURCHASE OF BULLDOZERS. HE INFORMED THAE EQUIPMENT WAS DELIVERED TO THE SYRIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE, DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING IN DECEMBER, 1975 AND IS NOW IN USE. LETTER OF CREDIT FOR BULLDOZERS OPENED BY COMMYNS SOON AFTERWARDS.
2. ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NOT CONTACTED SARG OFFICAILS DIRECTLY ON THIS MATTER, PAST EXPERIENCE INDICATES THAT SARG POSITION WOULD RUN AS FOLLOWS: SARG HAD CONTRACTED WITH JAMES COMYNS ALONE TO SUPPLY BULLDOZERS. SARG IS NOT INVOLVED IN WHAT IS ESSENTLY A DISPUTE BETWEEN YOU AND MR. COMYNS.
3. FYI: AS NOTED IN DAVIS LETTER 12/10/77, SARG HAS ENCOUNTERED DIFFICULTIES WITH MR. COMYNS BEFORE. COMYNS APPARENTLY HAS OPENED ENTIRE 1/C EVEN THOUGH UNCLASSIFIED

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SPARE PARTS AND OTHER ANCILLARY ITEMS WERE NOT PROVIDED. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, NO ARBRITRATION NOW GOING ON BETWEEN COMYNS AND SARG ON MATTER OF BULLDOZERS, THOUGH LOCAL ARBRITRATION BETWEEN SARG AND ABOU HARB NOW GOING ON.

DENNIS A. MICHAUD, COMMERCIAL OFFICER

AMERICAN EMBASSY  
DAMASCUS, SYRIA  
PELLETREAU

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED AGAWAN, MASSACHUSETTS.

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